

THE THEATRES

SMITH'S.

Fred Niblo, the American humorist-traveler, returns this evening with one of the most important offerings of his delightful series of "travel talks," which have become a leading feature at this theatre during the past few weeks. On this occasion Mr. Niblo will present "Russia from the Black Sea to Siberia," a picture pilgrimage graphically illustrated with hundreds of colored views, panoramic slides, snapshots, photographs and moving pictures, all of which illustrative material is the personal work of Mr. Niblo, secured at great expense and constant personal danger during several months' wanderings throughout the length and breadth of the Czar's domain. Not only are the leading cities of Russia vividly portrayed, but also the interior districts and the smaller hamlets and villages, so rarely visited by tourists, equally well described and pictured. The life in the agricultural districts among the peasants will be graphically shown. Present day conditions in the poverty stricken centers of civilization are contrasted most vividly with the prodigious plutocracy.

There will be a performance of the grand opera "Rusticiana," and "I Pagliacci" to-morrow evening and of "Il Trovatore" Thursday evening by the Imperial Grand Opera Company under the direction of Mr. Louis Cucca, the well-known impresario. The artists of this excellent organization have been recruited from the singers of the Metropolitan and other opera houses of New York together with several prominent artists from the two principal opera houses of Italy, La Scala of Milan and the San Carlo of Naples. Only at this season of the year could such a remarkable aggregation of singers be gathered together. In present grand opera at regular house prices. Mme. Margherita Vassallo, the principal dramatic soprano has sung in the great opera houses of her native country and she is a great favorite in Buenos Ayres and the other South American capitals. Miss Esther Taylor is the only American singer in the organization. She is a pupil of Jean De Reszke with whom she has studied for several years in Paris. She made her debut at the Grand Opera House there in Leo Delibes' "Lakme." Signor Luigi Cilla was the principal tenor at La Scala when he was engaged by Oscar Hammerstein for the Manhattan Opera House. He is also a great favorite with South American audiences. He is said to be the handsomest tenor in grand opera. Signor Giuseppe del Chiaro is the principal baritone of this splendid organization. He is from the Commune Trieste and he alternated with Signor Stacchiari at the Metropolitan last season.

There will be but one more offering of those superb animated pictures and illustrated songs, and that will occur next Friday afternoon and evening. This will be the last of these beautiful pictures as an entertainment at Smith's, and as they are to be of a superior quality, they should be seen by crowd before they will be of an exceptionally good quality. Of the same liberal hours, and the same low prices as heretofore will prevail, and the theatre should be filled both afternoon and evening next Friday.

Saturday afternoon and evening, we are to see the Kirtle and Shelle drama of Owen Wister's novel "The Virginian." For a play typical of the West, "The Virginian" has been adjudged one of the best that has been produced. From the first to the last scene, the play teems with that breezy ranch atmosphere that obtained in the Wyoming cattle country a quarter of a century ago, when ranch owners and cow punchers were the leading lights and cattle thieves the only criminals. W. S. Hart who plays the nameless cowboy is known to have won unstinted praise for his conception of Wister's hero. His interpretation of the characters, who are told in strict accordance with the author's ideas, Frank Campano as Trampas is exceptionally good.

Have you gotten your seats yet for next week, when Robert M. Sperry's twelfth annual production, "The Show Girl," will hold the boards? If you haven't, take warning by the experiences of former years and procure them at once. You know the old saying, "he who hesitates is lost," and if you wait too long, it is possible that the supply may be exhausted, and you will be one of the starry-eyed, disappointed and regretful that you have had no share in the merry makings of the closing week of the regular season. The seats went on sale yesterday, and so far the demand has been far in advance of former seasons. The indications, even at this early day, are that "The Show Girl" will play to the biggest business which has ever been Mr. Sperry's good luck to obtain. The production this year is promised to be much superior in every way to anything Mr. Sperry has yet shown us. "The Show Girl" has been termed a "merry musical satire," or a "musical pipe in two parts." It will have excellent musical numbers, more girls, more fun, and in fact more of all that goes to make up a big musical success than any of Mr. Sperry's previous efforts. Besides, Mr. Sperry has engaged, at heavy expense, Miss Margaret McKinney, a prima donna soprano from the professional ranks to augment his success. Get your seats at once for the twelfth annual, and be sure of them.

POLI'S

There's another good bill on at Poli's this week, topped by the vivacious and beautiful Charmion, the most perfectly developed woman in the world, and a host of other attractive items. Charmion is the bright and shining light of the show as might well be expected. Her marvellous physical development coupled with natural charm and superb grace of manner make Charmion a big attraction. Then her trapeze work and her comedy patter with fine costuming and staging help out. At every performance Charmion makes a hit with the audience by distributing souvenir buttons. As a novelty the act is head and shoulders above everything else presented here this season.

For a high-class instrumental musical act the Olivetti Troubadours present the candy show. Violin and guitar selections given by these Spanish serenaders never fail to make a hit. Some others who score big this week are: Muller, Churn & Co., offering their novel hoop rolling act; Elsie Harvey and her boys in elite songs and dances; Carter, Waters & Co., presenting their laughable "The Corn Baggage"; Jennings & Renfrew, high-class burnt-cork artists; Myers & Rosa, the "Western Whirlwinds" in an exhibition of lariat throwing; and the latest motion pictures on the Electrophone.

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Bargains in All Departments to Celebrate This Event

For the next 10 days we will hold this Anniversary Sale during which time you can obtain, at this store, a complete supply of Summer needfuls at far below regular prices. Every department in our store will offer souvenir bargains that will afford radical savings on every purchase you make. We say this that you may come **EARLY IN THE EVENT** and thus get the pick of the bargain plums offered for your choosing.

Sale Begins

WED. MAY 5th.

ELECTRIC ELEVATOR SERVICE
Near the Entrance

Sale Ends

SAT. MAY 15th.

DOMESTIC VALUES

of greatest importance only accomplished by our cash buying methods. And remember, these are only a few of the values to be found here.

Sheets — "Steadfast." 72x90 Bleached Welded Sheets, 50c kind. Sale price 39c

81x90 Armorside Bleached Welded Sheets, 65c quality. Special 49c

81x90 Ridgewood Seamless Bleached Sheets, 65c kind. Special 49c

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81x90 Half Bleached, extra good strong, heavy muslin, 85c selling price. Special 69c

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42x36 Bleached extra fine quality muslin, 12½c quality. Special 9½c

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Yard wide Unbleached Muslin, worth 6c. Special 4c yard

Heavy Unbleached Yard Wide Muslin, 8c quality. Special 5½c yard

Yard Wide Bleached, Foremost brand Muslin, 9c kind, 6½c yard

Masonville Bleached Muslin, regular 12c. Sale 8½c yard

Yard Wide Cambric, 6½c. Sold at 10c

Blue Seal, Yard Wide Cambric, 12½c regular. Special 8½c yard

4-Welded Bed Sheet, bleached, value 25c. Sale price 17c yard

Unbleached, value 19c. Special 15c yard

WASH AND WHITE DRESS GOODS

This department has already endeavored itself to the hopping public with its complete line of most dependable merchandise. Here are a few items from this section, but don't think these are all. Many other surprising values await you.

40-inch Victoria Lawn Sheer, quality sold at 10c. Sale 7½c/yd

40-inch finer, 15c quality. 10½c yard

30-inch India Linon, 12½c kind for 9½c yard

And 15c kind for 11c yard

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Quality of Swisses, dotted, crossbar and figured 14c yard

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Genuine Soisette and colors, regular 25c 18c yard

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Amoskeag Apron Gingham, 8c value. Sale 5½c yard

Light and Dark Prints, value 7c. Sale price 5c yard

Yard Wide Bay State Percale, light fast colors, dainty stripes and figures, 12½c quality, at 8½c yard

French Dress Linen, all the newest colors for Summer dress, regular 19c. Special 10½c yard

Table Oil Cloth, white marbles and figures, value 20c 14c yard

32-inch Sateen Lining in all the staple colors, sold at 19c. Special for sale 11c yard

TOWELS AND TOWELING

Here are a few of the surprises in store for you, but you may expect more any day during the sale. We don't propose to have a dull minute in the entire 10 days.

Huck Towels fringed with red border, worth 6c. Sale 4c

Hemstitched and plain pure white Huck Towels, large size, 12½c quality. Sale 9c

Fringed Red Border, Bleached Damask Towels, floral designs, value 15c. Special 11c

Bleached Turkish Towels, red border, 7c kind. Sale 4½c

45x23 Unbleached, hemmed and fringed, Turkish Towels, value 19c. Special 12½c

Bleached, extra large Bath Towels, 30c quality. Sale price 19c

Cotton Twill 18-inch Toweling, 5c regular price 3½c yard

Cotton Crash Linen, color with blue border, value 7½c. Special 5½c yard

Unbleached All Linen Crash Toweling, 10c quality, at 7½c yard

Bleached All Linen Crash Toweling, 12c regular. Sale 8½c yard

BED SPREADS

Full size Crochet Hemmed Spreads, \$1.00 kind 79c

Fringed and Hemmed, heavier Crochet Bed Spreads, full size, \$1.29 kind 98c

Marsailles Bed Spreads, floral designs, fringed with cut corners, \$2.50 quality. Sale price \$1.98

SUMMER UNDERMUSLINS

Tremendous values offered in our famous department. New, crisp garments at unusually low prices.

Muslin Petticoats of hemstitched, tucked, flounce, embroidery or lace trimmed and dust ruffle, 69c kind. Special 42c

Petticoats with 12 inch embroidery flounce beaded with several rows of tucking, 89c kind for 65c

Petticoats, embroidery and lace trimmed, regular \$1.00 kind. Sale price 79c

Petticoats worth \$1.75, lace and embroidery. Sale price \$1.33

Beautiful Petticoats of artistic embroidery and lace, some worth up to \$5.00. Sale price \$2.69

Extra wide Embroidery trimmed Petticoat for stout women, regular price \$1.50. Sale price 98c

Ladies' Muslin Gowns, yoke of hemstitched tucks, full size gown, 50c kind. Sale 29c

Drawers plain hemstitched tucks, and cambric embroidery and cluny lace, 98c quality at 69c

1½c quality at 89c

Drawers plain hemstitched tucks, embroidered ruffle, lace trimmed, 25c quality. Sale price 19c

Drawers, embroidery and lace, rows of Val. with embroidery ruffle, 50c regular price. Sale 36c

Combination Corset Cover and Skirt, lace trimmed, \$1.00 kind, for 79c

TAILORED SUITS AND COATS, DAINY SUMMER DRESSES AND OUTER GARMENTS GREATLY REDUCED

Each garment in this sale is a little masterpiece of artistic tailoring and would undoubtedly be the best value in town even if regularly priced.

At our special sale prices you positively cannot equal warm-weather apparel of such high character this side of the maker's sales-room.

\$15.00 Suits of Panama, Serges, Worsters, plain and fancy colors, satin lined coats. Sale price \$8.98

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Silk and Messaline Dresses in plain and fancy colors, trimmed with laces, Soutache braids, buttons, Empire effects. Sold at \$15.00. Now \$8.98

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Japanese Sleeve Kimonos, embroidered, Messaline and Taffeta. Waists, all this season's models, specially bought for our Spring trade; waists worth up to \$10.00. Your choice at this sale. \$3.95

LAWN SILK AND NET WAISTS

All will suffer price reduction for this great event. Don't fail to investigate. Your opportunity and our loss.

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Children's Fine and Heavy Ribbed "King" Hose, 6 to 10, strictly fast black. Special 11c

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Black Silk Taffeta Petticoats with wide deep ruffle and dust ruffle at foot, \$3.98 kind. Special \$2.49

\$5.00 Petticoats, Special \$3.39

Best Black Taffeta Petticoat, worth \$5.98. Sale price \$3.98

Imitation Heatherbloom Petticoats and Black Sateen, 75c kind for 55c

98c kind for 79c

Genuine Heatherbloom extra full ruffle and cut extremely wide, worth \$2.48 \$1.69

Seersucker Madras Petticoats, striped, double ruffle, good wide. Sale price 42c

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Young Ladies' Shoes, dongola, patent tip, button or lace, sizes 2½ to 6. Sale price \$1.39

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